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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1616

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 2481.1403-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Ulrich STACHE et al. )  
Serial No.: 08/897,455 ) Group Art Unit: 1616  
Filed: July 22, 1997 ) Examiner: B. Radio  
For: CORTICOID-17, 21-DICARBOXYLIC ESTERS ) BOX AF  
AND CORTICOSTEROID 17-CARBOXYLIC )  
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FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND )  
PHARMACEUTICALS CONTAINING THESE )  
COMPOUNDS )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the final Office action dated November 5, 1998. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

To the extent any further extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this response, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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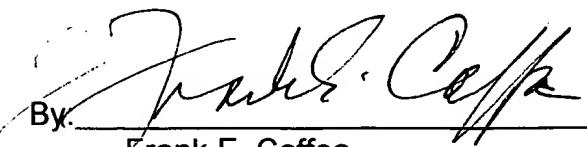
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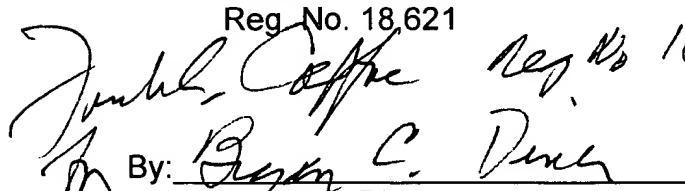
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